part of the first class inducted into the AHSAA High School Hall of Fame in 1991.

Although retired, Coach Anderson's love and knowledge of the game continued to shine. He was always willing to help mentor anyone who sought his knowledge about the game.

During the last 5 years of his life Coach Anderson fought valiantly against Alzheimer's, never letting it inhibit his view on life. Sadly, on January 21, Coach Anderson passed away after a battle with pneumonia.

Coach Eddie Robinson put it best when he said that "coaching is a profession of love. You can't coach people unless you love them." I believe this was always the mindset of Coach Anderson. He always cared deeply for his players and students.

Coach Anderson leaves behind a legacy of love and humility and his spirit will live on in the countless individuals he impacted over the course of his career. The city of Mobile, Mobile County, and the entire State of Alabama will be forever grateful for the life and service of Coach "Lefty" Anderson. On behalf of Alabama's entire First Congressional District, we extend our greatest of condolences to his son Chuck, his two grandchildren, Laura and Sam, as well as his two great-grandchildren, Ayden and Caroline. Coach Anderson will be deeply missed.

REMEMBERING THE LIVES LOST DURING "BLACK JANUARY" AND THE KHOJALY MASSACRE IN AZERBAIJAN

## HON. DONALD M. PAYNE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 2, 2016

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues here in the House of Representatives to join me as I rise to honor those who were lost in Khojaly, Azerbaijan on February 25, 1992. On that day, 24 years ago, over 600 people were brutally murdered. They were mostly elderly men, women, and children—innocent victims that should have never been part of such a heartbreaking tragedy.

I would also like to recognize the night of January 19, 1990, as "Black January." This event has been memorialized as "Black January" because of the invasion by 26,000 Soviet troops into the capital city Baku and surrounding areas. By the end of the following day, more than 130 people had died and over 600 people were missing.

It is necessary to take the time every year to remember those who lost their lives during these two horrific events in Azerbaijan. Their unwilling sacrifice continues to serve as a reminder to hold fast to the principles of democracy.

Mr. Speaker, Azerbaijan is a strong partner of the United States in a strategically crucial and complex region of the world. I ask my colleagues to join me and our Azerbaijani friends in commemorating the tragedy that occurred in the town of Khojaly as well as Black January.

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### HON. JASON CHAFFETZ

OF UTAH

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 2, 2016

Mr. CHAFFETZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Officer Doug Barney. Officer Barney was killed on Sunday, January 17, 2016, in Holladay, Utah, while working overtime in order to fund his cancer treatments. While on duty, Officer Barney was shot fatally by a fugitive who was missing from drug rehabilitation. Unified Police Officer John Richey was also shot, and has since undergone surgery and is expected to improve.

Officer Barney became a police officer because he wanted to help people and loved children. He had formerly served as a school resource officer and worked tirelessly as a member of the Unified and Taylorsville, Utah, Police Departments for 18 years. His cancer was in remission at the time of his death. He is survived by his wife and three children.

Officer Barney gave the ultimate sacrifice while in the line of duty. His colleagues have remembered him for his humor and caring nature. He was an accomplished officer who had overcome the odds of cancer. I honor Officers Barney and Richey as heroes and am grateful for their service to the State of Utah.

Today, I ask all Members of Congress to join me as we honor the life and legacy of Officer Doug Barney, so that his sacrifice and service will be remembered by our country.

RECOGNITION OF THE McCONNELL CENTER

# HON. BRETT GUTHRIE

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 2, 2016

Mr. GUTHRIE. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize the McConnell Center at the University of Louisville on its 25th anniversary since its founding. The McConnell Center was established by Senator McConnell and the University of Louisville, his alma mater, in 1991 with the mission to help nurture the next generation of great leaders in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

The McConnell Center has helped educate, inspire, and motivate more than 200 McConnell Scholars and has given more than \$3.5 million in scholarships to more than 230 Kentucky students. I am proud to say that three McConnell Scholars, Andrew Stewart, Natalie Smith, and Sean Southard, have interned in my office. The McConnell Center has also provided thousands of hours of professional development to Kentucky's teachers.

The McConnell Center's successful program has demonstrated the profound and lasting impact it is making within our Commonwealth, the nation, and the world. It has been named one of the "Oases of Excellence in Higher Education" by the American Council of Trustees and Alumni, touching the lives and careers of thousands of students, teachers, researchers, and citizens.

This year, the McConnell Center will celebrate its 25th anniversary with the theme "Citizens and Statesmen," continuing its great work in shaping our nation's leaders, politics, and communities.

Today, I would like to thank and recognize the McConnell Center for their exemplary work and mission in educational and civic engagement, building our future leaders on a foundation based upon "Leadership, Scholarship, and Service."

HONORING ALAN DUNHAM

### HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 2, 2016

Mr. HUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Alan Dunham of Novato, California, for his exceptional commitment to public service and civic engagement. For nearly 40 years, Mr. Dunham has gone above and beyond in his dedication to effecting change in community, serving in numerous leadership positions and volunteering countless hours of his time throughout the City of Novato and Marin County.

The Rotary Club of Novato annually selects a "Citizen of the Year," which distinguishes a resident who has given exceptional contributions to the city across a number of different areas. Their selection this year in Mr. Dunham could not be more fitting.

Mr. Dunham moved to Novato in 1973, and quickly became involved in his new community. He joined the Rotary Club the following year, where, along with serving as president for a term, he led several trips and projects throughout the decades. For many years, he has been active with the Presbyterian Church of Novato, and he regularly volunteers with local children and youth.

Additionally, his talents as an architect have beautified spaces throughout the city, including housing projects and gardens for seniors, group areas at the Marin county Fair, and the Stafford Lake Gate House, among others.

Mr. Speaker, it is fitting that we honor and thank Alan Dunham for his many years of self-less volunteer work and leadership in the North Bay. On behalf of the many residents whose lives he's impacted, I am privileged to honor and appreciate Mr. Alan Dunham.

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{HONORING THE LIFE OF MICHAEL} \\ \text{HOKE} \end{array}$ 

#### HON. BRIAN BABIN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 2, 2016

Mr. BABIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Michael Hoke. Michael passed away on January 13, 2016, at the age of 67.

Michael was an active and accomplished educator in the Orange community. After receiving his doctorate, he went on to start the Orange chapter of the American Federation of Teachers, and continued to be a leading advocate for teachers within the community.

His dedication and expertise were recognized in 1989 when he became the Texas recipient of the National Science Foundation's Presidential Award. Michael later went on to instruct at Harvard University.

Michael was committed to sharing his incredible love and mastery of scientific teaching